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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence**SUBJECT: Conversation with Mr. Vance on the NRO**

1. I advised Mr. Vance of your desire to postpone the meeting of the Executive Committee of the NRO until 6 October. He agreed to do this.

2. I told him that you thought this was particularly desirable in light of the reaction occasioned by Dr. McMillan's appearance before the PFIAB yesterday. Mr. Vance agreed. He said that he had advised General Taylor that Dr. McMillan's remarks were not to be taken seriously as they represented a final blowing off of steam by an employee who was leaving definitively next week. He said that he had issued the strictest injunction that all officials and employees of the Department of Defense were to support the agreement and collaborate. He said that he had made it clear that he would fire any individual who failed to adhere to these instructions. He said that he was confident that Dr. Flax would approach his new responsibilities with an objective and open mind.

/s/ John A. Bross

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